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Our Case No. 9281/3989  
Client Reference No. N US00070

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Yoshihiro Kanada et al.

Serial No.: 09/851,776

Filing Date: May 9, 2001

For: Thin-Film Magnetic Head Having  
Magnetic Gap Formed of NiP

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) Examiner: C. Renner  
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) Group Art Unit No.: 2652  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

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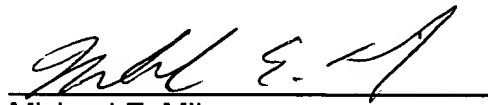
In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2003, in the above-referenced case, Applicant elects to prosecute Invention II, drawn to a method for making a thin-film magnetic head. As set forth on page 2 of the Office Action, the claims directed to this invention are claims 3-6.

In addition, please enter the following amendment:

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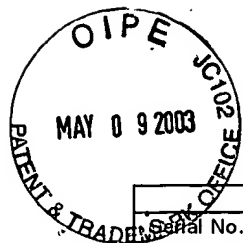
Please cancel non-elected claims 1-2. /

Respectfully submitted,



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 9281/3989
Serial No. 09/851,776	Filing Date May 9, 2001	Examiner C. Renner	Group Art Unit 2652
Inventor(s) Yoshihiro Kanada et al.			
Title of Invention THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD HAVING MAGNETIC GAP FORMED OF NiP			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Amendment and Response to Restriction/Election Requirement; postcard evidencing receipt of same.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.
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x 42 =	
+ \$140 =	
Total add'l fee	\$

Other Than Small Entity	
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